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Miami Dolphins Head Coach Adam Gase (transcribed by Michelle Stone)

**(Could you update us on the quarterback situation with QB Jay Cutler?)** – “Right now, they’re going to take him to get a MRI, x-ray, all that stuff, figure out what’s ... Confirm. They kind of have an idea. I didn’t really get into it with them. It’s something with his chest – the chest, kind of ribs area.”

**(You have a short turnaround, as you know. So, does that mean...)** – “I’ll get there. I’ll probably have a better feel tonight, a little later. It’s just hard for me to say anything right now.”

**(By far the team’s best offensive performance of the season. What turned for you?)** – “I think early we were first and second down, staying out of third, then they really started giving us a lot of problems on third down. We were on the right guys, it was just we were getting beat one-on-one. (Jets Head Coach) Todd (Bowles) had a really good package. We prepared for the right things, we were just losing our one-on-one battles. We got a little frustrated there a little bit. We pressed. We pressed a little bit to try to stay out of the third-and-longer down and distances.”

**(From the passing point of view, collectively, QB Jay Cutler and QB Matt Moore threw for over 300 yards. In terms of finally getting that going, there are some key plays in there as well. Your whole emphasis has been doing jobs. Do you feel like that was done today?)** – “I think we were doing a better job at certain points. There were a few things where we missed some opportunities. We’ve just got to keep cleaning things up and trying be a little more detailed, and we’ll have less missed opportunities like we had today.”

**(QB Matt Moore came in just firing away from the beginning. Was that what you expected?)** – “Yes. When you’ve called like I’ve called enough games for him – and I know it hasn’t been many, but last year – but the best thing for me is just dialing up the things I absolutely know he knows and let those guys do everything they can to make plays. We had some good matchups. Jarvis (Landry) made some really big plays in critical times. There were a couple of times where he bought enough time and threw it to the spot he knew the guy was going to be at. Kenny (Stills) stepped up big time too and made some really big plays.”

**(QB Matt Moore coming into the game, giving you a spark. What is it about him coming in that makes that happen for you?)** – “I think we just ... It’s one of those things when you know a guy goes





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down, other guys step up. The great thing about Matt is that he's a veteran. We've done this before. He has a knack for going out there and playing the game without fear. He prepares the right way. He does everything right during the week to allow him to play like that. He just knows when his number is called, he's got to go out there and pick up right where we were going. If we get some of those third downs cleaned up earlier, we would've had some more production. He did a good job of making some plays when we needed to."

**(I'm sure you were asked earlier, but QB Jay Cutler – his status and where's at?)** – "I'll find out more tonight. Right now, he's ... They've got him ... The MRI, x-rays – they got to do all kinds of stuff to see exactly what's going on."

**(It looked like there was frustration on the sideline. Obviously, you were down 14 and then all of a sudden, you sprung back and everyone kind of had gone back into the game. You had WR Kenny Stills big play. WR Jarvis Landry served a big play. CB Bobby McCain big play. Where did the energy come from?)** – "A lot of it comes from when we're struggling a little bit, and we're losing some one-on-one matchups, guys they get frustrated a little bit. The good thing was Jarvis did a good job of keeping the guys heading in the right direction. We had a few more injuries upfront when Laremy (Tunsil) went down. I was trying to get a feel calling plays to make sure I didn't put Jesse (Davis) in a bad spot too early. I kind of let him get a feel for what he was doing. So, it took us a second to regroup. Defense did a good job of making some plays and keeping us in the game. It just took one [play], next thing you know you're back in the game."

**(It certainly helped that you got TE Anthony Fasano involved. Big play down the middle that ends up with a touchdown. For a guy who hasn't caught many balls, he certainly came up big for you.)** – "We keep trying to get him more involved. We've called his number a few times, but we haven't gotten the right coverage. He's kind of our secret weapon in the passing game that no one knows about until today. We've been working him in practice. We just have to keep trying to find ways to get him involved in the offense."

**(You get another win, you put yourself at 4-2. It's got to be a pretty enviable position for you right now.)** – "Right now, we're going to enjoy this probably for about two more hours and then we're on to the next one."

**(We saw this last year with QB Matt Moore – what is it about his personality that just seems to put such a charge into the huddle?)** – "Any time your backup quarterback goes in, you know he hasn't had any reps all week. Guys know they have to be on it. They have to be exactly where they're





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supposed to be, because he's really going off of almost pictures and what he sees on film. There's no margin for anybody else to really make any error, because that's going to put him in a really bad spot. I think guys really dialed in. He did a good job of making the throws when we needed him to make the throws. They brought some pressure and Matt did a good job of buying time and made a great throw."

**(Why were WR Jarvis Landry and WR Kenny Stills able to excel with two quarterbacks today?) –**

"We tried to open it up a little bit and do some things to push the ball down the field. We kind of weren't really worried about what the result was going to be. We were going to try to make sure that we took the top off and made them play honest. That was one of the things we felt like Atlanta started creeping in, playing pretty tight. We felt like that was the best way to play the game. Towards the end of the game, we tried to push it down the field a little bit, but this game we were going to make sure that, that wasn't going to happen again."

**(The field conditions looked less than ideal. How much did it hurt the run game, particularly, and secondarily have you been told as to what's going on with it and how it can be rectified?) –** "With the run game, every time we play these guys it's tough. Any time you play a division game, upfront (and) those linebackers are playing well right now. I know nobody is really talking about those guys, but it's not like we've ever really played those guys and ripped off a great running game. Even when we played them here last year, our two runs that gave us what looked like good numbers were the last two runs of the game, and they were really kind of gadget-type runs. So, they've always played us tough. They played us tough again today. We tried to stay committed to the run and see if we can pop one of those things off. Those guys are tough. The field, it is what it is. They've got to play on it too. We just go with what ... However the conditions are, it is what it is."

#### Miami Dolphins G/T Jermon Bushrod (transcribed by Lexie Balboni)

**(Inaudible) –** "(QB Matt Moore) came in and did a hell of a job. We all rallied around him. (It) sucks for (QB) Jay (Cutler) that he went down, but we're praying for the best for him."

**(Is there a sense this team is never out of a game after these last two weeks?) –** "We're just going to keep fighting if we get a chance and we get opportunities. It's a team game, you've got to rely on the other phases to come through big for you sometimes. We put up a couple touchdowns in the





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beginning but they were scoring a couple touchdowns, so it was up to one of us to do something special so we could get a little bit more momentum. Our special teams did a good job of pinning them back. I remember one time we got pinned back and we had a couple of negative plays and we punted and put them back on the 15 or the 20 and the defense was able to get a stop. We were able to flip the field and we were able to go down and get some points. That's just what it is about. We're just going to keep fighting and fighting and fighting. I guess you can say we like to make it interesting for everyone out there. It doesn't really help me or my heart much but at the end of the day a win is a win and I'll take it.

**(You've now won 12 straight games decided by seven or fewer points, that's crazy.)** – "Stressful, but it's cool though. Like I said, anyway you can get a win. We like to make things interesting."

#### Miami Dolphins TE Anthony Fasano (transcribed by Savanna Bell-Stevens)

**(Last week, 17 down, this week 14 down. How do you explain these comebacks?)** – "(It's) just kind of our make-up of the team. Heart, never giving up, guys believing in the process, in the team and in one another. (There are) some really good signs, even though we'd like to be a bit more comfortable in our wins, a lot of positives to be taken out of it."

**(It's 12 games in a row, 12 one score games in a row, this team has won.)** – "Yes, again it goes to my point, heart, belief and playing a full 60 minutes."

**(What was going through you minds when QB Jay Cutler went down and do you feel like the urgency increased with the offense at that point?)** – "You never want to see your quarterback going down, but like I said, (QB) Matt (Moore) went in there and did a great job, brought the energy and let the play makers make plays. I'm just really proud of Matt and our whole team the way they stepped up when we needed it."





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Miami Dolphins S Reshad Jones (transcribed by Lexie Balboni)

**(What is it about this defense that allows you guys to be resilient in the fourth quarter to pull off wins like you did today?)** – “We just stick together. It’s a tough league to win in, tough division game. We just stick together. Like I said... I think last week the comradery with this team and this defense has been the best since I’ve been here.”

**(How do you explain it, that you guys have so many different times that you find so many different ways to do just enough to pull it off?)** – “It’s about winning, whatever it takes to win football games. We know it’s going to come down to the fourth quarter. Once we get in the fourth quarter we know we have to own the fourth quarter and that’s what we did today to pull off this victory.”

**(They seemed to have a lot of success moving the ball in the first half. What problems were they posing for you?)** – “They screened us a lot, backside. A lot of tight end screens, running back screens, different things like that. But I think we came in at halftime and we made a couple changes and came out and got the victory.”

**(What is it about the screen game that gives you trouble? I think New Orleans had some pretty good success with that and obviously you said about the first half of this game)** – “I’m not sure. We just need to look at the tape and figure out what it is. Teams have been screening us a lot like you said and they need a good job of screening us early on in the first half of the football game to have success on the offensive side of the ball. But like I said, when we came in at halftime we settled down and we got the job done.”

**(You gave up the one touchdown in the second half and then they punted each time and then the interception by Bobby McCain. What adjustments did you make from the first half to the second half?)** – “We switched up the calls a little bit. We saw what they were giving us and we switched up the calls. More vision coverages and different things like that where we have defenders where we can see the screens coming.”

**(Were you able to give more pressure? Was that a result of better coverage or just guys upfront getting after the ball?)** – “We sent a little bit more pressure in the second half. I would say that, we did send a little bit more pressure.”





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**(It was pretty obvious when Matt Moore came in the game it got the offense fired up but then it seemed you guys built on that too. Is that fair, accurate?)** – “I wouldn’t say that, no. Matt is a veteran quarterback, it was good to have someone like him to replace Jay when he went down. Everybody on both sides of the ball feels confident in Matt so it was good to see him go out there and be successful.”

**(You played with him for a little bit you’ve been in the same locker room with him. How would you describe Matt’s energy?)** – “He’s a leader. He’s a veteran guy, played a lot of football in this league. Guys love him, like I said on both sides of the ball. He brings the energy to the offensive side of the ball. Everybody loves Matt.”

**(Heading into Baltimore are there any improvements you think you guys need to make knowing you are playing an offense like Baltimore?)** – “Yeah there are definitely some improvements we have to make. It’s a short week, short turnaround. We need to get back into film... wWtch the film tomorrow and make a couple corrections.”

**(What did Bobby do well on that play?)** – “He was in his right spot, that’s team defense. We had a certain call and Bobby was right where he needed to be and he went up and made the play.”

#### Miami Dolphins WR Jarvis Landry (transcribed by Savanna Bell-Stevens)

**( ...with comebacks, what does it say about this team, especially right now with this offense, what’s going on with it?)** – “We just keep finding ways to fight for each other, fight together we’ve been saying it all week, for the last three weeks, just unity. It’s going to come down to all four quarters, we know who we are, when there’s an opportunity, and there’s a chance, we just always try to grab it and the last two weeks we’ve been doing it.”

**(Somebody who did that was Matt Moore today, stepping into that role what kind of energy did he bring to you guys, how much different was it out there?)** “It’s not different, it’s not different, we all know what Matt can do. You know, and he came in he wasn’t shaken up or anything like that, he found a way to help us out, and that’s what it takes. Guys stepping up, even when they don’t even think they’re going to play today. Stepping up to make plays it’s just part of this culture, it’s part of who we are.”





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**(It had to be disappointing though, we already spoke about this in the past, the fans, the reaction, when Jay was coming out.)** “Listen, we won today. We won today. I think it’s easy to take a lot of things for granted, it’s easy to say what you want as a fan. But we won. We won, regardless of who it’s with. They love Jay last week, and they hate him this week. I don’t pay attention to all of that, we just stick together as a team, as a family, and that’s all it’s about. We don’t care about anything outside of this building or outside of us.”

**(Why do you guys keep having close games?)** I hope, I hope, I wish it wouldn’t have to be this way. But, it came down to that the last couple weeks. And again, it says a lot about these guys in here, about the staff, and everything that we’ve been able to overcome along this road to get to 4-2. It’s an amazing feeling, and we have a short week ahead of us and we got to get back to work.

#### Miami Dolphins CB Bobby McCain (transcribed by Lexie Balboni)

**(Has it sunk in yet just how big that interception was?)** – “No, not yet. It was a great play, but we’re a team. We took a team effort today. The second half, we came in at halftime and turned it on. If we can start fast, we’ll be unstoppable. We just have to keep playing, make the corrections and go out. We have a quick turnaround with Baltimore. We’re going to celebrate, but we have to get ready to work.”

**(Is the mentality for this defense that you guys are never out of it?)** – “Yeah, never. You’re never out of the game regardless if you’re down two (touchdowns), three [touchdowns], three points. Just keep fighting, and that’s what we pride ourselves on here at the Miami Dolphins. You just keep fighting. Defensively, special teams, offense – we’re all going to stick together. We’re a band of brothers. Just keep fighting and good things will come.”

**(Take us through what happened on the interception.)** – “(It) was a single high coverage, dropped up underneath the comeback. He left the ball out there, so I went and got it.”







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#### Miami Dolphins QB Matt Moore (transcribed by Daniel Chavez)

**(Was it fun having a great comeback like that?)** – “It was a great win and when you can contribute and have a comeback like that, I mean it’s fun for everybody. The guys did an unbelievable job staying together. I mean it was 14 points there, late in the game and we put some drives together and got it done; so yes, it was fun.”

**(Matt, you didn’t have a lot of time to get ready when QB Jay Cutler went down. What was going through your mind when you were getting ready to go on the field?)** – “Here we go. You’ve got to go do your job and execute to the best of your ability and at that point, like I said, we’re down and I’m just trying to make plays and put some scores on the board. You just tell yourself don’t try to do too much and play within the scheme and let your guys make plays, which they did. It was great.”

**(They were causing problems getting the ball out early but it seems like you you got your timing, get the ball out, catch it and get it to your receivers. Was it just the familiarity for you?)** – “Yes, I mean (the Jets) front was difficult, especially on the third down. They did some things, but I think as the game went on, obviously you make adjustments and guys did a really good job adjusting and picking some stuff up and allowing guys down the field to make plays.”

**(Talk about WR Jarvis Landry and what he’s done for you.)** – “I mean, he’s what you want. The go ball, you give him a 50/50 ball, he comes down with it and makes a big play. He had a big third down late in the game. He’s just somebody you want on your team, no doubt. He’s pretty gifted – just a good guy to have.”

**(How do you overcome your overthrown interception? You overcame a ball that was a touchdown, that looked like a touchdown, and it was called back. You come back and stick it right back in the end zone?)** – “The interception was rough. On third down, that’s obviously not what you want to do. You’d love to just punt the ball and make them go the (length of the) field. But I just think you just keep going. That was the message on the sideline. Guys were just like ‘Hey, we’re still in it.’ The defense did an unbelievable job, really all game. Obviously there were some things here and there, but they kept us in it and made plays when they needed to be made. Hats off to them. Just keeping the faith, I guess. You’ve just got to keep saying ‘Hey, this drive we’re going to put something together. This drive we’re going to put something together.’”

**(Everything you guys have been through, you’re sitting here at 4-2. That must feel pretty remarkable for you.)** – “Yes, it’s great. Shoot, any time you win a home game against a divisional







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opponent and to be 4-2 with the craziness this season's been, you feel good. We've got a short week so we'll enjoy it; but you've got to get ready to go again."

**(Matt, another comeback win two weeks in a row and 12 straight wins when the margin is seven or less. Can you explain the team's knack in close games for coming from behind?)** – "I don't know if I can explain it, but these guys just keep going. They keep fighting. Coach Gase has an unbelievable message about what's done is done, we can't do anything about it so let's move forward. I think if you look at us late in games, you see that. Guys are just making plays, the next play mentality. That's really it. You can't change the past, you can't change what's happened; but if we move forward, good things will happen."

**(How many first team reps did you get last week? Is that typical and how does someone get that and still do that?)** – "Typically, it's different on some teams; but typically, here, the starter gets all the reps and I have to make mine up. I think our staff and our guys, we do a good job preparing and as a backup, I think you have to prepare as if you're playing every week. That's just part of your role and it pays off to be prepared, go in there and execute. That's your job. That's the way I look at it."

**(What's it been like for you, Matt? Obviously the injury, then Head Coach Adam Gase took QB Jay Cutler and now you're...)** – "Yes, I mean a lot of things are out of my control. I try to come to work every day and just do my job, whatever my job is. I'm a big believer that every person on the team has a role, and I've said that before. Whatever the circumstances are, my role was defined whenever it was and that's how I came to work every day. Kind of like I just said, 'You're going to be the backup,' so I just prepare and that's my job."

**(When you came in last year against Arizona in a similar way where you were just throwing, firing away. You don't seem to ease your way into the game at all.)** – "Yes, I don't know how else to do it. Just go. I just tell myself just go out there and make plays (and) lead the team. I think Adam (Gase) does a really good job play calling for me, I feel that way. I just go out there and try to play football."

**(What kind of reception did you get in the huddle when you came in to the game?)** – "Oh, I don't know. It was good. Those guys were just really waiting for the play, but they were ready to go."

**(As soon as you saw you were walking on the field to replace QB Jay Cutler, the crowd got really excited and got really behind you. How much does that help you? How much does it help your momentum trying to win a game that late?)** – "It's nice and obviously I appreciate that. I'm aware,





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but it's all or nothing when you go out there and don't produce, which happens some times. I just try to stay focused and focus on the huddle and my guys and try to move the ball."

**(If anyone asks what your job is, it's obviously to be the backup quarterback in the NFL. If Adam Gase says to you, 'Hey, QB Jay Cutler is fine, he's the starter next week.' Do you just go 'okay?')** – "We'll cross that bridge when we get there. I don't know. Those are decisions to be made and they are out of my hands."

**(Was there any pass that got you going today?)** – "The first touchdown, my adrenaline was probably as high as it has been in a long time after that. They pressured, we did a great job protecting and Kenny (Stills) won, so I was pretty fired up after that one."

**(Is there any difference between this team in the last three games as opposed to the first three games when you started out 1-2?)** – "I don't know if there's a difference. We've worked. Obviously you change things weekly. I just think it's Week 7 or whatever it is and guys are kind of getting in a groove, if you will. To start the season, you'd love to come out and say oh yeah, we're firing early on, and who knows why things go the way they do early on, but guys just put their heads down and just kept working. I think that's the biggest thing, how it has been going the past couple of weeks."

#### Miami Dolphins K Cody Parkey (transcribed by Paige Jefferson)

**(Can you talk about the final kick?)** – "Bottom line is my team got me in good field goal range, reasonable distance and I know that I'm going to get a great snap from (LS) John (Denney) and a great hold from (K) Matt (Haack). So for me, it's just staying down on the ball and just swinging through my target."

**(Had you had trouble with your footing on that field earlier today at all?)** – "Not today, no. It's just very vital to just go out there and kind of survey the land a little bit and make sure that the three-yard area that you're working with is good enough. So, yeah, (K) Matt (Haack) does a good job helping me kind of pick a spot and we go from there."

**(Cody, I'm sorry if you've been asked this but the condition of the field did it play a role in your range today?)** – "I'd say the wind more so than that. That last one we kind of had a little wind in our





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face than the other way, so the Jets were smart enough to get that fourth quarter at their back. So, yeah, the field didn't have an issue."

**(Are you hoping for a chance there late in the game? Just saying I just hope I have a chance to get in the game?)** – "Absolutely! Yeah! It was kind of a quiet game for me, just a couple points here and there. But, yeah, I'm absolutely hoping that the game's on me and on us as a special teams unit. Great blocks all year, great holds and great snaps. So I've just been extremely blessed with that and I just have to go out there and do my job."

**(Do you know you're the most accurate kicker in Dolphins' history?)** – "I'm not too worried about that. I'm just worried about beating the Ravens."

**(Three game-winning field goals in six games in your time with the Dolphins. How fun is that?)** – "It's a lot of fun. That's the bottom line. I think this year I'm just trying to have fun. There's going to be good times, bad times, more good than bad. I just go out there and have fun and continue to just glorify God whenever I can."

**(Seventeen points down last week. Fourteen points down this week. How do you explain this?)** – "I mean it's crazy. This team finds a way to win. Last year, I was on the Browns. That was kind of where we lacked. We couldn't find a way to win in third and fourth quarter. This team just seems to, you know, we're down by 14 points, and no one's batting an eye. It's crazy, so you know, you go out there and score a score, and they get me in field goal range. Even when we had to punt with a minute left. It's just crazy. So, I think we're extremely blessed as a team and we just keep going out there and just keep fighting. That's all we can do."

### Miami Dolphins WR Kenny Stills (transcribed by Savanna Bell-Stevens)

**(You guys seem to make habit of these big comebacks lately. What is it about this team that you guys keep finding that will to win at the end of games?)** – "The game is 60 minutes, and we like to play four quarters, so just finish. (Head Coach Adam Gase) talks about finishing all the time, and we seem to play really well in the fourth quarter."





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**(Can you take us through the emotions on the sideline, seeing QB Jay Cutler go down, and then you guys were down at that point?)** – “Next man up. It’s kind of what (Head Coach Adam Gase) is always preached to us. We know (QB) Matt (Moore’s) ready. We know he gets prepared each and every week, he’s ready to go, so (I) didn’t really think about it much until after the game. I went over said ‘What’s up,’ made sure he’s ok, but we have the next man up mentality and we know guys are going to be prepared to play.

**(It seems like, even dating back to last year, you and QB Matt Moore seem to have really good chemistry out there on the field. Is that just happenstance or is that something you guys practice together?)** – “We prepare every week like he’s going to go out there and play. He kind of has a routine on Saturday’s and Friday’s of getting extra balls and I’ve always been out there and made sure I’m there, prepared and getting ready with him. But no, Matt’s just a slinger and he’s going to throw it to the guy that’s open, so that’s credit to him.”

#### Miami Dolphins DE Cameron Wake (transcribed by Ted Leshinski)

**(Another nail biter. Another intense game. You had to fight to the end. Do you ever get used to this? You know, coming back from behind. This something you’ve become accustomed to this season? Do you ever get used to that?)** – “Well, the minute you step on an NFL field it’s going to be a close game. No matter who you play. Not matter what week it is. So you’ve got to get used to it the first time you strap on the pads. In this league there isn’t normally going to be a 40-point blowout. It’s going to come down to one play. It’s going to come down to the end of the game. Whoever has the ball last the defense has to stop. That’s kind of how it works. So, we’re accustomed to it. That’s the way we have to be built in order to win games in this league.”

**(Cam, what was difference in the second half they scored 21 in the first then you pretty much shut them down in the second half?)** “Well, I guess I kind of sound like a broken record. This is the nature of the way this team is built. Obviously we’d love to come out and jump on guys fast and start and that’s some things we got to work on. If you’re back is to the wall you got to fight your way out. I don’t think this team is built to lay down and give up. We’re going to come out swinging. I’m sure there’s a lot of factors that play into it. But when it’s hard, when it’s hot, when you’re tired, when you’re sore; at the end of the game that’s when usually it requires the most of you. Now, I’d like to think that the guys that we





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have in this locker room are built this way. That when it gets tough we're going to find another gear and do whatever we got to do to make a win. If there's not a way, find a way or make one."

**(Cam, a big comeback last week ... last minute. The same thing this week. You come back from 14 down in the fourth quarter. What is it about this football team that stays so resilient? It knows that as long as there's minutes left on the clock they've got an opportunity.)** – "It sounds like a broken record, we've been saying this for years. It's a belief in one another. No matter if there's time on the clock we still believe we have a chance. Offense believes in the defense. The defense believes in special teams. The special teams believe in offense. So on and so forth, that we're all going to make plays and play together. Like I've said, here's obviously things we still need to work on but it's hard to win in this league. And when you have that belief then you're never technically out of the game. And I think we've been showing that over and over and over. Outside of this building people want to count us out, but inside the locker room we believe in one another and that's why I believe we can still get things done that maybe in other situations it wouldn't work out."

**(Cam, when you're down by 14 it seems like the pass rush kind of cranked up a little bit. Was there a sense of urgency that you guys felt at that point?)** – "I like to think that our urgency shouldn't change. The situation in the game may change, if they hold the ball a little longer or the protection might change. But at the end of the day our goals are always going to be the same, especially up the front. It's going to be stopping the run and getting to the quarterback. I think, for the most part, we did that. And I think when you do that week in and week out I feel like it's going to be a pretty solid defense. We enjoy going out there and doing what we need to do to get this W, continue to improve, week in and week out, and enjoy it for a short time and move on to the next."

**(Cam, the last few years around this time of year, October and November, you've gone on stretches of four or five games with at least one sack. You've doing that again. Why is that? Do you get more comfortable? What is it about this time of year that seems to get you going?)** – "(Chuckles) I don't know. I like to think that I try to get going all times of year. I really have a tremendous cast of guys around me. Guys like (DE) Will Hayes that don't necessarily maybe make the front page headlines. He's a guy going in there, stopping the run, getting us into position to be in third and long. He's doing the dirty work inside, making pressure so that quarterbacks can't step up. I feel like a lot of the accountability or accolades go to those guys. At the end of the day I might get the sack but it wouldn't be able to be possible without guys like him, and (Ndamukong) Suh and Jordan Phillips and a bunch of those guys. So, it all has to work together. And when it breaks down we put it on ourselves. You can't take the glory without the criticism and we have high standards for ourselves. I think it's us as a group, and hopefully we get better week in and week out."





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**(Cam, what is it about your preparation during practice throughout the week that gives you all ready to make the plays whenever they need to be made?)** – “For me, and I think I can speak for a lot of the other guys who are out there, again as I told them earlier, most games are going to be one-score games. That’s the way this league is. Everybody is really good. They always have good quarterbacks, receivers, running backs, whatever it may be. When it’s crunch time, the big plays are going to be usually made by the big players. And as you’ve seen over the past few weeks, big players step up in big games and make big plays. And you have to have that mind set yourself. You have that pride about your game and preparation and all the other things and say, ‘Hey listen, it’s third and long. We need a stop. I’m going to be the guy.’ And if each guy has the mentality of ‘I’m going to be the guy’, then I think the way our defense is built we’re going to be tough to be beat.”

**(Cam, the Jets lost their right tackle and it wasn’t a coincidence that you became pretty much unstoppable after that. When you see weakness or a change in personnel like that do your eyes get a little wider?)** – “I’m going to be frank; I see weakness on Sunday night. Meaning tonight for next game. I see weakness before the game starts. I don’t care who you are – first string, all pro, third tackle ... it doesn’t matter. To me you are a weakness. You can’t stop me, no matter when the ball’s snapped. No matter who you are. Three people, two people – it doesn’t matter. That’s the way I feel. It’s a nameless, faceless person that’s in the way of me getting my job done. So, I don’t change my course of action by whoever’s in there. As soon as I put my helmet on the guy that’s going to lineup next to me, he’s in trouble. That weakness is started from the first time I stepped on the field.”

**(Can you take us through CB Bobby McCain’s interception from your perspective and just what the lift was like on the sideline and the field when he did it?)** – “Well again, obviously I knew the situation in the game, we were doing our best to obviously get the ball back to the offense so that they could put points on the board and obviously we could close the game out. But again, as I said earlier, it was a situation where we knew we needed the play. And he’s another guy who I think had been playing tremendously well over the course of the season and probably hasn’t been on too many headlines but he’s been working day in and day out to get his job done and he’s always around the ball. Little scrappy little mighty mouse we like to call him. Again, I think he has that same mentality that ‘I’m going to be the guy to make the play.’ Obviously when he gets the ball ‘get what you can and get down and let the offense do what they do.’ So said, obviously they got the ball in position and K (Cody) Parkey put it through the uprights to seal the game.”

**(What’s the mentality like once it is crunch time and you guys are tied? You guys don’t want to go to overtime. Is it urgency or is it more of a calm, cool, collective we know how to play our**







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**game. Things will work things out.)** - "Quick but no hurry in a sense. I think the guys who are going to be on the field; they know their abilities. They know what needs to be done. Again most guys out there played many many snaps. They've been in this situation before. You have to do whatever you can and I think whenever your number's called, like Bobby McCain's was, it's your opportunity. You have the whole team on your back at that moment and we're counting on you to get your job done and he did that. So I don't think there is, it's not panic but urgency and that's a general theme throughout the end of most games in this league. If you don't have that mentality and you don't have that 'I'm going to be the guy' mentality then get off the field and put somebody else out there."

**(Did you have any issues with the turf today? I know some players were slipping out there.)** - "Nope."

**(Did you think Matt Moore coming on gave the team extra motivation?)** - "There's probably 3 guys we lost throughout the game who somebody had to jump in there, and in this league, again, it's that next man up mentality. Whether it's injury, shoe lace, somebody needs a drink of water, whatever it is. When you go in and replace somebody wherever it is, quarterback, kicker, right tackle, left tackle. It doesn't matter. The team expects that same level of performance from the guy you're replacing. There's no excuses, there's no expectations, change, it's the same thing. So, again I've been around Matt for many, many years, I know the kind of player he is and I didn't have any change of expectations for when he goes in. He did his job and put us in a position to win the game."

**(I think it was mid-way through the 4<sup>th</sup>, you guys were in your rally, the place was absolutely electric, in a way I hadn't heard before in that building, what was it like to have that moment where it was just (inaudible) in there and you guys were rolling?)** - Well, I love playing here, obviously. At home I feel like we have great fans great support, beautiful stadium. And as a defensive player when you're out on the field, and it's 3<sup>rd</sup> down, you can't hear anything, and neither can they, they don't know, they can't make the calls, they make the changes, and they cause false starts or miscommunications or whatever it may be and we benefit from that. So, today the place was electric like you said everybody was standing up screaming and hollering and as a defensive player, you come in on 3<sup>rd</sup> down, you feel that, you feed off of it and it creates positive plays for us. We love playing south Florida, south Florida fans, Dolphin fans, keep bringing that support, we keep bringing the W's."







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New York Jets Head Coach Todd Bowles (transcribed by Ken Mendonca)

(How frustrated are you today losing a 14 point lead the way you did in the fourth quarter?) – “It’s frustrating. We had a chance to finish and we didn’t finish. Too many mistakes, too many blunders, at some point we got to develop some killer instinct to finish the ballgame.”

(Josh McCown, he had a good first part of the game and then a couple key mistakes there at the end.) – “Yeah, but it shouldn’t have come to that. When you got a 14 point lead, you gotta close the game out. We didn’t move the ball on offense, we didn’t stop them on defense.”

(Was there any thought at the end, when there was 40 or 50 seconds left, to maybe just playing for overtime?) – “No, we had three timeouts, we tried to win the ballgame.”

(Did Josh (McCown) just not see him?) – “I don’t know, he may not have seen him, but it shouldn’t have ever come to that. That play did cause us the game, we should have had it way before that.”

(12 penalties today, how key a part of the game was that?) – “It was big, it’s frustrating. We gave them more drives in the first half, kept some drives alive in the second half, 12 penalties you ain’t gonna win the ballgame. Too many untimely penalties at the wrong time, too many penalties period. Until we learn that lesson, it’s going to be tough sledding.”

(Why does that continue to be an issue for you?) – “Well it’s not an issue during the week, it gets to be an issue in the game. We gotta have better poise and better patience.”

(What happened with (WR) Robbie Anderson in the last 15 seconds?) – “I didn’t see the play, I know they told me he threw his helmet off, but I didn’t see what he did. The play was behind me”

(Why do you think offensively, you guys kinda bogged down after you got up big?) – “Well, we just gotta keep drives alive. Again, penalties killed us on offense too. Penalties killed us on both sides of the ball.”





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**(When (Dolphins QB Matt) Moore came into the game did you make any changes?)** – “He made some plays, but we still got the same flags. And the flags, whether it’s Moore or QB (Jay) Cutler are going to affect you.”

**(If (B (Xavier) Coleman had been healthy, would you have made a change with CB Buster (Skrine) in the second half? How did you think Buster played?)** – “No. I’ll look at the film. I know he got a penalty. There were many people that got penalties. We’ll look at the film and see.”

**(Do you have an update on (T) Brandon Shell?)** – “He got a neck injury, he’s going to get some tests.”

**(Buster Skrine’s first couple of years with the Jets was inconsistent, he was inconsistent in the summer, what is it that you see in him?)** – “Well I’ll watch the film, like I said. I’m not going to sit up here and judge Buster off not seeing anything. Buster plays hard, he had a great game last week, and I know he got a penalty this week, but him, like everybody else have to play better.”

**(You said killer instinct, does that take time to develop, or (end of question cut off?)** – “No, you just gotta finish ballgames.”

**(How tough of a loss is this for you?)** – “It’s no tougher than last week. It’s a tough one. We had an opportunity to win a division ballgame on the road, which we got to start winning on the road if we want go somewhere, and it was a tough game. Give them credit, they made plays.”

**(With two straight pretty tough losses, how do you keep things positive for this group?)** – “Things are going to be positive, frustrating, but they’re positive. Pick up your shoes and you walk, you get ready for the next week, and you correct your mistakes. The morale is good, team is good, the losses are frustrating.”

**(What was your opinion on the condition of the field?)** – “Playing the game Miami (Hurricanes) played last night, so it’s going to be a little boggy, but it’s even on both sides of the ball, so it didn’t matter. We both played on the same field.”

**(What happened late in the game, your secondary, or maybe your corners fell apart there?)** – “Again, some timely penalties. WR Jarvis (Landry) made one good catch, but we can’t commit the penalties.”





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**(Is this as disappointed as you've been with this team so far this year?)** – "I'm not disappointed. I'm frustrated we lost. I'm not disappointed with the team. The guys played hard, I'm happy with the team. I'm frustrated with the penalties."

**(How do you change that?)** – "You work on them. You get back to the grind, and you work on it. You have guys put in different situations, like we've been doing. We've got some things to figure out."

**(Why don't you guys not have a killer instinct right now?)** – "We haven't won a game yet, until we win a game like that we'll have killer instinct. We haven't. We got to learn to finish."

**(Are there things you can learn from failing in these situations?)** – "Winning games will solve a lot of problems."

**(Would getting better coverage late in the game help a killer instinct?)** – "A lot of things can help a killer instinct. I'm not going to sit here and define killer instinct. We didn't make the plays to win the game, we committed penalties."

**(How frustrating is it considering how well your defense played up until the last....?)** – "We didn't play well as a team in the second half on either side of the ball, so it didn't matter."

**(Were you happier with the pass rush today?)** – "We got some hits, we didn't get enough hits. We got to finish the ballgame. Happy with one thing, losing the ballgame, it doesn't even matter. Everybody can be better, coaches, players, everybody."

**(I understand you didn't see the Robby (Anderson) play personally, but he spiked his helmet, we can see it. Is that kind of losing your poise like that in that situation unacceptable?)** – "Well, if that's what he did, yeah. That's what it is, but I'll go and talk to him and I'll look at the play myself, and I'll go from there."

**(Does he need to grow up a little?)** – "I'll look at the play and I'll make that determination myself."

**(They started bringing more pressure in the fourth quarter, Miami did..)** – "Nothing that we hadn't prepared for."

**(Would you agree that QB Josh (McCown) was under a lot more stress?)** – "We got to block better."





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(Did fatigue come into play late in the second half when Moore was starting to heat up?) – “No. Same field, same people, same plays, same guys, they made more plays.”

(On Josh’s pick that gave them the lead, what did you see there on Josh’s throw?) – “I saw throw, the guy was sitting there by himself in the flat, he caught the ball. I don’t know whether he saw him or not, but he made the play.”

#### New York Jets RB Matt Forte (transcribed by Armando Gonzalez)

(Negative yardage on offense in the fourth quarter, what happened in that quarter with the offense?) – “We didn’t play ball, it’s pretty plain and simple. It wasn’t something that they were particularly doing. We had penalties in the fourth quarter, we had turnovers in the fourth quarter, we had lack of execution in the fourth quarter and if you finish a game like that, no matter how close the game is, you’re going to struggle. Most times, if it’s within two scores, you’re going to give the game away.”

(Is it a tough time to learn how to finish games when you have such a young group?) – “I think it’s more execution. It doesn’t matter if it’s young guys or old guys we’ve got to do our job. Don’t relax and get complacent just because the game is 28 to 14, or something like that. When we get to the fourth quarter, you’ve got to finish the game out and we can’t give them the ball on a silver platter and give them field position due to turnover stuff. We can’t do those things.”

(Do you think there was some complacency?) – “Not by myself. I don’t really think us, as an offense, mentally we had complacency going out there. It’s just like when you start on first down and you have a good play and then you get penalties that back you up, it’s hard to get a first down after that. We kept shooting ourselves in the foot.”





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#### New York Jets LB Jordan Jenkins (transcribed by Jason D. Silver)

**(How frustrating were the penalties in this game, especially in the second half?)** – “It sucks. But for any team that gets penalties like that, it’s going to suck. It hurt, but we have to put ourselves in better situations where we don’t allow ourselves to get those penalties.”

**(How hard is this to swallow?)** – “It sucks. It’s going to hurt. You’re going to feel it on this plane ride back. You’ll feel it on the way to the facility. But, like I say the week’s we win, like I say the week’s we lose, you have to have a short term memory if you want to be successful in this season. You should feel it yourself after you beat somebody. You can get your ass kicked the next week (and if) you feel it all in your feelings after you lose to somebody, you’re not going to get another win for the rest of the season. So after Monday, us, we’re not going to think about this. We’re going to move on to the next team. We’re going to go into work, just like we did all offseason, keep fighting, keep working.”

**(Head Coach Todd Bowles talked about this team needing to develop that killer instinct to finish teams off. Why do you feel like you guys have not developed that yet?)** – “Truth be told, I can’t really answer that question. I know we talk about it, but we just have to put actions where the words are. We have to actually go out there and do it instead of just preaching it.”

#### New York Jets LB Darron Lee (transcribed by Jason D. Silver)

**(How frustrating is it that you didn’t finish today?)** – “Frustrating. It sucks. It’s frustrating.”

**(What’s the process for a young team of developing that killer instinct to finish teams off?)** – “It’s not killer instinct, because we came out with killer instinct. It’s just finishing. That’s everybody – offense, defense, special teams. Everybody. Just got to finish the game. It’s not about killer instinct. We have killer instinct. We have a bunch of killers on defense and on offense. We just got to simply finish. So just, my personal opinion: just harp on that more, try to get that better and get ready for Atlanta.”

**(The first penalty on you – the roughness call – it looked like he (Dolphins QB Jay Cutler) ducked his head.)** – “Yeah, hit square in the chest and they threw a flag. So, okay. Next play. You clearly don’t agree with it. I don’t agree with it. But guess what, I can’t change it. We can’t take it back.”





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#### New York Jets S Marcus Maye (transcribed by Jason D. Silver)

(An Interception today, but it seemed like you guys weren't able to hold that lead. Up 14 going into the fourth quarter, why were you able to do that?) – "We just have to find a way to get off the field as far as defense wise. We just have to stay aggressive as a team overall. We can't get comfortable. You can't get complacent. Even though we're up we still have to keep fighting."

(What do you guys do about the penalties too because that's one of the things that's been in the locker room...that you have to clean up the penalties.) – "We just have to play clean. We were playing aggressive and stuff like that but at the end of the day we have to be penalty free because it hurts us at the end of day. We just have to keep playing."

(You guys, like I said, had a 14-point lead over a division rival going into the fourth quarter. What are the thoughts here, again, as it's a big time division rival.) – "We just have to keep our foot on the gas. We have to stay after them. We can't get comfortable and we just have to finish the ball game at the end of the day."

#### New York Jets QB Josh McCown (transcribed by Max Lerner)

(Can you just take us through that interception on that second to last drive of the game? What you saw and what happened?) – "They rotated coverage. I went backside where the read takes me and the guy was underneath the throw. I just didn't get enough on it and give Jermaine (Kearse) a chance and it's just a bad read on my part."

(How tough is this one to swallow?) – "It's a sick feeling. You come out on the road and get going like we did and build a lead like we did, to finish it like that is frustrating. It's a sick feeling. We fought hard, but we have to find a way to not turn the ball over in a critical situation like that and move the ball in the fourth quarter ... We have to do those things better."

(What did they do differently in the second half defensively?) – "I have to look at it. I think there was a little bit more pressure on their part. But more than anything, we just shot ourselves in the foot with different things and in that regard we have to be better. We did well in the opening and in the third quarter, but we have to finish in the fourth quarter and we didn't do that."





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**(This is the second week in a row that you had a lead that got away from you. Obviously, last week was a little bit earlier. This week in the fourth quarter. Why haven't you been able to finish out the games these last two weeks?)** – "We're not executing down the stretch like we should. That's the only thing I can tell you. It's frustrating. We want to play better. That's not how we want to play. We have to do better. We just have to finish. We started this thing and we were starting slow and finishing strong and now we're stating fast the last two weeks and finishing slow. We have to find a mix of both that's going to help us win ball games."

**(What did you think of the mindset of not playing for overtime there starting at the 15?)** – "We had three timeouts and a minute left and needed to get to the 37. Coach trusted me with that, trusted our offense with that to go down there and do it, and we let them down. He's alright with that mindset, and we were ready to go. When we get that opportunity, we have to make it work, and we didn't do that."

**(It sounded like there was a lot of frustration in the locker room when you guys came off the field, understandably letting the lead go by, a lot of penalties. What's the mood like in there? What was it like?)** – "Lot of frustration. Pretty much you nailed it. You heard it – a lot of frustration. We're disappointed. As human beings, you process loss, especially seconds after. You heard, there's all kinds of emotions, but frustration was high on the list, disappointment. When you're part of turning the ball over like I was, it's a sick feeling, because guys work so hard. To not give us the opportunity to finish that game and win, it hurts. It's tough, but we'll bounce back. A lot of resolve in that room. I think the head of that frustration was let's rebound. 'Mo' (Muhammad Wilkerson) did a great job of hammering that home, and we'll be ready to go to work tomorrow, clean this tape up and be get for Atlanta."

**(You said "Mo." DL Muhammad Wilkerson or CB Morris Claiborne?)** – "It was a bunch of guys talking, but 'Mo' (Muhammad) Wilkerson, yeah."

**(Did you see the defensive back? Did you see it or did you know?)** – "On the coverage, yeah. On the coverage when I came back late. It was one of those I tried to stop as I was throwing, because I saw him late. So, I didn't get enough on the ball. I don't even want to think about it. It makes me sick. It's just something that can't happen."

**(When you get the ball on the 15, three timeouts and the game is tied, do you go into it saying "Don't be too aggressive here, because we have a tied game."? Are you going aggressive to try**







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**to get that?)** – “The mindset when we took the field was we need to get the ball to the 37 or so was the range, whatever our range was for Chandler (Catanzaro). So, that’s the mindset: let’s go down there and get to the 37. Like I said, (Head Coach) Todd (Bowles) puts his trust in us to go down and execute and get that done, and we let him down. We have to be a better team than that. If we’re going to be the team that we want to be, we have to make that step. We’re almost to the halfway point of the season and now it’s time to clean those things up, and we’ll start improving on that.”

**(Is this about as good a roll as you’ve been when you had it going with the two touchdowns and that rushing touchdown?)** – “Since I’ve been here, yeah. It felt good. We were executing and guys were making plays. We have to find a way to keep that up. We can’t go out there and be behind the sticks with sacks and penalties or anything that hurts us, minus runs. We have to find a way to ... And incompletions. I missed some throws. We got to find a way to make that better, and I think we will. We’ll look at those things. It’s not just me getting on it. We’re looking at those things on offense and what we’re building, and we’ll put points up. We got to find a way to capture that for four quarters.”

**(On that list, interceptions. You said you almost tried to pull it back. You know that. Are you almost seeing that in slow motion?)** – “Yeah, exactly. It’s a sick feeling, because I came back to him based on what I know, how that coverage is. They kicked wide underneath it. I was going to work something on the front side and they rotated so I didn’t think ... Because of that rotation, I didn’t think that there would be anyone under that one. It’s one of those things that I rolled back to it, and I knew ... I was kind of throwing as I was turning, because it was a wide-field throw. I knew I’d have to get something on it. I slowed my arm down when I saw the guy, but it wasn’t enough. It’s a bad feeling. I can’t let that happen.”

**(When we’ve brought up this interception now a couple times here, it seems like you emotionally change. Is this something you’re taking extremely personally and you’re taking too hard is that one pick?)** – “Yeah. It was a minute left, three timeouts and coach asks you to go get us in field goal range and win the ballgame, and that’s what you want to do in this league as a quarterback. To go out there and that happen, as professionals and as quarterbacks there is not a lot of worse feelings than that for me in my opinion. I’m just disappointed. Just like anything, win or loss, we’ll take it, we’ll look at the tape, and then we’ll bounce back and be ready to go. That’s the thing, I’m very disappointed, and it’ll hurt for the next 24 hours, but when we start turning on that tape for Atlanta, we’re moving on, and I’m moving on and I’ll be excited, can’t wait to kick the ball off on Sunday.”





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##### New York Jets TE Austin Seferian-Jenkins (transcribed by Armando Gonzalez)

(How difficult is this loss?) – “It’s a very difficult loss. We had a 14 point lead at one point, and we weren’t able to finish. We need to be able to finish.”

(What did Head Coach Todd Bowles say after this loss?) – “We need to finish. That is a key thing with us. Obviously, the penalties – myself included having a holding period – it’s a consistent thing, and if we don’t fix it, this is what will happen. We’ve got to finish. If we don’t want to finish, we will not win games.”

(On his touchdown.) – “At the end of the day, stats really don’t matter when we don’t win. I’m here to win. I know everyone else is here to win. The touchdown was a great ball by Josh [McCown], moving the coverage to the right, I posted up, he threw a great ball. But at the end of the day, when you don’t win, it’s tough to look at it like that. We have to get back on Monday, we have to clean this stuff up. We’ve got to finish better than that.”

##### New York Jets DL Muhammad Wilkerson (transcribed by Armando Gonzalez)

(At the time of your interception that seemed to be a big momentum swing. Can you take us through that play and what that did for the team?) – “Jamal (Adams) made a play tipping the ball. I was there to make a play on the ball, but at the end of the day we didn’t make enough plays to win the game.”

(How difficult is this one to swallow up by 14 points?) – “We come in at halftime and talk about how penalties were hurting us in the first half and talked about finishing. We came out the second half and still committed penalties so we’ve got to work on that.”

(What do you think of the pass rush overall today?) – “We got some hits on them, but at the end of the day we lost the game. It’s not even about the pass rush, it’s about us, all eleven guys on defense, offense and special teams executing their job, and we didn’t do that.”

